Resolution Number TC-1806

WHEREAS, Congress has passed and the President of the United States has signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 effective February 18, 2009; and

WHEREAS, CDOT has received \$318M for CDOT regional priorities, \$12M for Transportation Enhancement projects and \$56M for distribution to the Transportation Management Areas (TMA's) and \$13M in Federal Transit Administration funds for non-urbanized rural areas; and

WHEREAS, the ARRA requires that as of 11:59 PM March 1, 2010 DOT's must have all ARRA allocated funds 100% obligated; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission has previously approved projects to be funded with ARRA funds based on lists developed by the CDOT Regions in collaboration with our planning partners and that met the ARRA project selection criteria; and

WHEREAS, CDOT exceeded the fifty percent (50%) obligation of ARRA funds requirement on June 17, 2009 and is now in the process of meeting the one-hundred percent (100%) obligation of ARRA funds requirement by March 2, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission has previously approved additional projects to obligate savings realized through budget changes and favorable contractor bids;

WHEREAS, CDOT currently has planned, budgeted, and/or obligated the approved projects to initially fully obligate CDOT's ARRA allocation; and

WHEREAS, CDOT anticipates another \$15M to \$25M to become available prior to March 2, 2010 due to additional bid savings, budget changes, and closeout savings and that this funding must be re-obligated into existing or new projects prior to the deadline; and

WHEREAS, CDOT anticipates an extraordinary number of funds transfers, budget actions, and new project approvals in the next months leading up to the March 2, 2010 deadline in order to re-commit this potential savings.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Transportation Commission designates Chairwoman Killin as its proxy from enactment until March 2, 2010 to act on CDOT staff-requested ARRA matters prior to Commission meetings when necessary and to present those actions as "confirming" items at the next Commission meeting.